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(SBU) We reviewed reftel points on establishing an international nuclear fuel bank with MFA Office of Security and Disarmament Affairs First Secretary Olga Kuznetsova on June 9. Kuznetsova noted that Russia was expecting the discussion at the IAEA Governing Board (GB) June 15-18 in Vienna to be "far from simple," because of the skeptical countries on the GB and the opponents among the IAEA members that don't want to see any discussion of a nuclear fuel bank because they believe it infringes upon their countries' right to develop a nuclear fuel cycle. Kuznetsova explained that Russia has been trying to convince some of the skeptics that having an international nuclear fuel bank actually reinforces countries' right to develop peaceful nuclear energy. Commenting that Russia will see at the GB meeting to what degree its demarches have been successful, Kuznetsova said

that Russia is "still hoping against hope" that the June GB will endorse the "U.S., Russian, and German" proposals that were distributed by the IAEA Director General, but realizes that this is not likely. (Embassy note: Although we referred to the first proposal as an IAEA proposal, Kuznetsova called it a "U.S." proposal. End note.) If the June GB cannot approve the proposals, Kuznetsova stated that Russia's Governor Berdennikov intends to support the IAEA Director General's recommendation that the GB instruct the Director General to further develop the proposals and submit them to the September GB for discussion in an effort to reach consensus. She predicted that this would take some time.

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